

P.S. A.B. Have you received my letter ordering  
Sunday publications to commence?

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Hartington, March 15. 1836.

Dear Brother Wright

Burleigh & myself have been lecturing

in Avon & he goes to morrow evening to Simsbury for the remainder of the week. We shall take hold of Litchfield County when Stanton comes & labor mostly there between this & May. I must however spend one week at Meriden & one at Willimantic. In regard to the names of persons in different parts of the State, I am getting them as fast as I can. In the mean time I am anxious an extra emancipator should be published not only for general distribution but for us to take with us & distribute at the close of our lectures. Let it be made up of a reprint of the following documents.

1. on Right of discussion. (1) ~~Worship of God.~~ "Prove all things &c & such other passages as are appos.

(2) Constitution of the U. States & of the several States; as in the small pamphlet containing Constitution of our Society, Statement of Committee &c &c

(3) Gerrit Smith's speech & Judge Jay's charge to the grand jury & the article in the Evening Post signed "Veto."

2. Explanation of Principles & Measures.

(1) Ohio Declaration of (2) Address to the Public, by the Com. in Sept last.

3. Slavery. (1) Leavitt's Definition of Slavery in Evangelist in the articles he published sometime ago.

(2) Goodell's, Slavery tested by its own Code

(3) Extracts from Wright's pro slavery testimony examined

(4) Statement of the Synod of South Carolina & Georgia

4. Treatment of slaves. (1) Extracts from Wattles' Slave Seminary discussion

(2) Stone's Letter,

5. Preparation for freedom. (1) Payton (2) Brothers as quoted in my lectures, & (3) anecdote of the slave mentioned in Goodell's Slaveholding in Connecticut.

## 6. Emancipation History & Safety of.

- (1) Mrs Child's article in the Evening Post.
- (2) Correspondent of the New York Observer in 1834. soon after Emancipation in West Indies, letter is dated "St George, Bermuda Aug. 8. 1834," signed "F. Holt."
- (3) Such other Extracts in regard to Emancipation in Antigua & Bermuda as you think best - see one number of the English Abolitionist.
- (4) Correspondent of Journal of Commerce, Antigua Jan 10. 1836.
- (5) Apprenticeship Colonies - State, if necessary what disturbance they have had & why, & compare it with the "Strike" the other day in New York & then give as testimony
- (6) Letter copied from Vermont Chronicle dated March 3. 1835
- (7) Correspondent of Journal of Commerce in regard to Barbadoes
- (8) Leavitt's statement in regard to Barbadoes
- (9) "Things in Jamaica", prefaced with a statement of the character & station of the informant.

The above will probably fill the sheet of notes more. If they should not I think it would be well to add a few facts on the following points.

## 7. Slaves can't take care of themselves.

- (1) Bradley's remark

- (2) Facts in regard to Trinidad & Hayti as quoted in my lectures
- (3) Facts in regard to St Lucia, printed in one number of the Record from the Report of the Select Committee of the House of Lords.
- (4) Extracts on the point from the Report of the Ohio Convention on the Condition of the colored people.

## 8. Condition of the Free People of Color - Just admit in a word that there is much ignorance & vice & wickedness among them, but there are some bright shades to the picture after all, & more than most people are aware of or willing to allow, & quote in proof

- (1) Statement in regard to James Forten in one of the Records.
- (2) Proclamations of Jackson to them in Louisiana & in British Opinions & Garrison's Thoughts.
- (3) Statement in regard to a colored man in St. Louis, by the name of Meacham, see Envoy June 17. 1834

- (4) Statement, near the close of the weekly Emancipator in regard to Mary Peterson  
(5) Statement in the Ohio report, touching their schools, temperance &c &c  
(6) Statement in Rights of Man (1834) in regard to colored people in Rochester  
(7) Statement published ~~somewhere~~ within a year in regard to the people in Philadelphia, mentioning their various societies for mutual assistance, & the fact th<sup>t</sup> they support all their own poor &c &c - See Friend Vol. 8. No 21.

In reprinting the above documents you will be able to abbreviate them by giving such parts only as relate to the points to be proved. So far as it can be done however I think the documents should be printed entire. The different articles & paragraphs should have distinct headings in Capitals.

If the Committee will print such an extra as the above I think it would be well to obtain if you can Catalogues of all the Colleges & Theo. Schools in the land & send a copy of it & also a copy of the Slave Market to each officer & student.

The Baptist paper at Hartford is with us, & the Religious Intelligencer is coming over - its columns are open to us.

Let me hear from you soon & do not fail to send a large box of publications to me at Farmington, Care of A. T. Williams, & one also to Burgess of Hartford.

Yours truly Amos A Phelps.  
The Conversion of things.

Bro. Wright - The Readers of the last Human Rights will see that I arrived to the high honor (for so I regard it) of having a price set upon my head by the slaveholders or their apologists. I say "or" for if the truth were known it might appear that the reward offered for my head was not offered by Southern born men but by recrants & Douglassed Northerners, who have gone south & either become slaveholders themselves, or for the sake of a profitable trade are ready not only to sell their own Consciences but the lives & liberties of their own townsmen & fellow citizens. The following facts may perhaps

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throw some light on this remark. Some time ago I lecture in Farmington & was met by  
The rioters were arrested & bound over for good behavior, soon after an Anti-abolition  
meeting was called, at which Hon. Jas. Pittin, Igblt. Couly Stone, others held forth.  
The abjars of both ~~these~~ meetings were ~~sent~~ published & sent hither. Immediately  
an advertisement is published in the "Federal Union," Wallingerville, offering \$1000 or for any  
head, & as many as 20 ~~heads~~ of this "incendiary" furnish, are sent, by mail, to summary  
indictment in Farmington — ~~the~~ among whom were several of the leading rioters, ~~some~~  
~~and~~ ~~the~~ ~~one~~ now happen'd it that this advertisement should appear, just  
at the time it did, & in the Wallingerville paper, & that that paper should be sent to  
every individual in Farmington in copy among the rest. Plain somebody had  
something to do with it, that knew Farmington, & Farmington men. Well then, what

gasts are there to throw light on the subject! These — nearly every one of those who are most violent in favoring me in opposition to abolition, has a brother, or sister, or son, or mother, or partner in business at the South. More than ~~thirty~~ in number are at this moment at the South from Hampton, Hon. John Pittman had a son there, E. G. Cawin, ~~and the greatest branch of his business~~ has a brother, Jonathan Cawin, one of the leaders in the riot of Boston was ~~also~~ arrested, has a brother also. I do not know that any of these hold slaves. They are there in trade. Of the thirty however, one at least is a slaveholder & a member of Mr. Church in Marvin Street, & several of them live in Milledgeville; What have we to do with slavery? And is it Southerners alone or reverent Northerners ~~that~~ too that are concerned in offering premiums for fugitives & fugitives of character. Your truly A. W. Phelps

P.S. A. B. Have you received my letter ordering sundry publications to Loringford?